continuously violating the conditions of Income Tax department on a large scale;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have taken any action against these finance companies till date since last years; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S. S. PALANIMANICKAM): (a) and (b) instances of violation of the provisions of Income-tax Act/Rules by banking finance companies have come to the notice of the Department, including detection of tax evasion and non furnishing and incomplete furnishing of Annual Information Returns (AIR) and statements of Banking Cash Transaction Tax (BCTT) within the prescribed time. However, the Department does not maintain a central database of such instances. For bank-wise details of violation of various conditions of the Income-tax Act/Rules, individual case records would have to be examined, involving substantial time and effort, which may not be commensurate with the efforts sought to be achieved.

(c) and (d) Legal steps for recovery of demand and issuance of letters/statutory notices have been taken in respect of such entities to ensure compliance to the provisions of the Income-tax Act/Rules. However, bank-wise and year-wise details of the measures taken are not centrally maintained.

Reluctance of States to get credit

†753. SHRI JAI PARKASH AGGARWAL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government have provided credit to some States despite of their reluctant attitude in this regard;

(b) if so, the details of such States during last three years as on date;

(c) whether some States have proposed to the Central Government to take back the credit;

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(d) if so, the details thereof during the last three years as on date, and

(e) the steps taken by the Central Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) to (e) The net small savings collections are being transferred to the State Governments as investment of the National Small Savings Fund (NSSF) in special securities of the State Governments. The amount so transferred during 2003-04,2004-05 and 2005-06 (Provisional) has been Rs. 67,642 crore; Rs. 87,690 crore and Rs. 89,836 crore respectively. Reservations have been expressed by some of the States against the transfer of entire net small savings collections mobilized by them, mainly on the groung of high cost of these funds. However, the present share of the State Governments in small savings collections at 100 per cent of net collections mobilized was fixed *w.e.f.* 1st April, 2002 pursuant to the recommendations of an Expert Committee chaired by the then Deputy Governor, RBI. Further, the rate of interest charged by NSSF on special State Government securities depends on the interest paid to the depositors and the management cost comprising mainly commission to agents and remuneration to Department of Posts.

Display of information in banks for customers

754. SHRI LALIT SURI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have directed all the branches of Public Sectors Banks to prominently display the names with designations and telephone numbers of their senior officers to whom the grievances could be addressed by the aggrieved bank customers;

(b) whether it is a fact that such directions were displayed but many branches have since withdrawn such information from their premises; and

(c) if so, whether Government would ensure that such information is displayed prominently by all the Public Sector and other banks in the country?